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1. SUMMARY: A ROMANIAN DELEGATION LED BY PRESIDENT NOCOLAE CEAUSESCU ENDED A THREE DAY OFFICIAL PARTY STATE VISIT TO POLAND ON MAY 20. CEAUSESCU WAS RETURNING THE VISIT OF PZPR FIRST SECRETARY EDWARD GIEREK TO ROMANIA IN NOVEMBER 1976. EIGHT ECONOMIC-SCIENTIFIC AGREEMENTS, A JOINT DECLARATION, AND A JOINT COMMUNIQUE WERE SIGNED. WHILE THE VISIT REPRESENTED A FURTHER STRENGTHENING OF ECONOMIC TIES BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, THE BEST THAT COULD BE ACHIEVED ON THE POLITICAL-IDEOLOGICAL LEVEL WAS A LIST OF BLAND, UNREMARKABLE STATEMENTS IN THE DECLARATION. THE SPEECHES OF THE TWO LEADERS CONTAINED NO SURPRISES. THE POLES TOOK EVERY OPPORTUNITY TO PRAISE THE ROLE OF THE USSR AND THE IMPORTANCE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNIST COOPERATION, AND CEAUSESCU STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF SELF-DETERMINATION

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IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF SOCIALISM AND NON-INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF SOVEREIGN STATES. END SUMMARY.

2. MASSIVE POLISH MEDIA COVERAGE OF CEAUSESCU'S VISIT STRESSED POLISH-ROMANIAN "UNITY OF IDEALS AND GOALS." SPEECHES BY GIEREK AND CEAUSESCU THROUGHOUT THE VISIT, HOWEVER, CONTAINED POLITY, BUT FIRM POINTS AND

COUNTERPOINTS. GIEREK STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNIST UNITY, AND THE LEADING ROLE OF THE USSR AND REFERRED TO WHAT HE TERMED THE SUCCESS OF THE COMMUNIST STATES IN ESTABLISHING "THE INVOLABILITY OF THE BORDERS DRAWN UP AS A RESULT OF WORLD WAR II. HE PRAISED SOVIET FOREIGN POLICY AND POINTED TO THE APPROACHING 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE OCTOBER REVOLUTION. CEAUSESCU SAID THAT POLISH-ROMANIAN RELATIONS REST UPON THE PRINCIPLES OF EQUALITY, MUTUAL RESPECT, INDEPENDENCE, AND NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY. HE STRESSED THE RIGHT OF NATIONS TO DEVELOP INDEPENDENTLY.

3. THE PLENARY TALKS, WHICH BEGAN ON MAY 17, RESULTED IN A "DECLARATION ON STRENGTHENING AND DEEPENING COOPERATION BETWEEN THE UNITED POLISH WORKERS' PARTY AND THE ROMANIAN COMMUNIST PARTY, BETWEEN THE POLISH PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC AND THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF ROMANIA", AND A JOINT COMMUNIQUE.

4. THE DECLARATION COVERS INTER-PARTY RELATIONS, POLISH-ROMANIAN STATE RELATIONS, AND THE INTERNATIONAL SITUATION, WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON CSCE. IT EXPRESSES GENERAL SATISFACTION WITH POLISH-ROMANIAN TIES IN ALL FIELDS. IN THE INTERNATIONAL AREA, IT ASSERTS THAT BOTH COUNTRIES CONSIDER CSCE "AN EVENT OF HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE, WHICH CONFIRMED THE TERRITORIAL AND POLITICAL REALITIES IN EUROPE RESULTING FROM THE SECOND WORLD WAR ..." BOTH PARTIES SAID THAT FINAL ACT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED IN ITS TOTALITY. LOOKING AHEAD TO BELGRADE '77, BOTH SIGNATORIES EXPRESSED THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE SOVIET PROPOSAL FOR UNCLASSIFIED

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PAN-EUROPEAN CONFERENCES ON TRANSPORTATION, ENERGY, AND THE ENVIRONMENT (THIS WAS THE DECLARATION'S ONLY REFERENCE TO THE USSR), AS WELL AS FOR THE WARSAW PACT'S BUCHAREST DECLARATION, UNIVERSAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT, THE UN SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT, A MIDDLE EAST SOLUTION BASED ON ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL FROM TERRITORIES OCCUPIED IN THE 1967 WAR AND THE RIGHT OF THE PALESTINIANS TO AN INDEPENDENT HOMELAND, AND EFFORTS TOWARD A POLITICAL SOLUTION ON CYPRUS.

5. THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE PREDICTS THAT THE LEVEL OF POLISH-ROMANIAN TRADE WILL RISE DURING 1976-1980 FROM 2.8 BILLION TO APPROXIMATELY 3.3 BILLION RUBLES. INDUSTRIAL COOPERATION WILL ALSO BE INCREASED. NEW AGREEMENTS WILL BE PREPARED IN RAW MATERIALS, SEMI-FINISHED PRODUCTS, STEELWORKING, BUILDING MACHINES, ELECTRONICS AND ELECTRO-TECHNICS, CHEMISTRY, THE FOOD INDUSTRY, AGRICULTURE, AND TRANSPORTATION. STEPS WILL BE TAKEN TO COORDINATE NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLANS FOR BROADENING BILATERAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS FOR THE PERIOD 1981-1985.

ACCORDING TO THE COMMUNIQUE, THE FOLLOWING AGREEMENTS WERE
SIGNED DURING THE VISIT: COOPERATION IN THE
PRODUCTION OF HEAVY LATHES, A PROTOCOL ON COOPERATION IN THE
CONSTRUCTION IN ROMANIA OF A PIPE MILL, SPECIALIZATION IN
THE PRODUCTION OF DRILLING PRODUCTS FOR THE YEARS 1978-1985;
A PROTOCOL ON BROADENING COOPERATION IN THE EXCHANGE OF COPPER
AND ALUMINUM PRODUCTS; AN UNDERSTANDING ON TECHNICAL COOPERATION
ON OIL WELLS; A PROTOCOL ON SPECIALIZATION IN THE PRODUCTION
OF DYES, SEMI-FINISHED PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS, AND RUBBER
PRODUCTS; AND A PROTOCOL ON BROADENING THE LONG-TERM TRADE
AGREEMENT FOR 1976-1980. ADDITIONALLY, THE POLISH-ROMANIAN
COMMISSION ON ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND THE CENTRAL PLANNING ORGANS
OF BOTH COUNTRIES HAVE BEEN TASKED WITH WORKING OUT BY THE END
OF 1977 THE BASIC DIRECTIONS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF ECONOMIC
AND SCIENTIFIC-TECHNICAL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES
THROUGH 1985.

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